

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the corrected drawings filed herewith in response to the Notice Regarding Drawings, in view of the aforementioned amendments to the specification and the following remarks.

Clarification as to Notice Regarding Drawings

The Notice Regarding Drawings refers to a review of certain drawings filed November 28, 2000. However, during a phone conversation with the Office (J. Chase) on or about June 8, 2004, an assistant to the undersigned attorney explained that Applicants had submitted formal drawings on April 26, 2004, indicated as being received by the Office on April 29, 2004. The Office (J. Chase) agreed to consider the later-submitted formal drawings.

Applicants believe that the only outstanding objection to the drawings relates to sheet 26/46 of the formal drawings received by the Office on April 29, 2004, on which the two views shown as original Figure 16C were not separately labeled.

Corrected Drawings

Applicants have submitted a new replacement sheet 26/46 that corrects the formal drawings – separately labeling the two views thereon as Figure 16C and Figure 16C-1. No new matter has been added.

Amendments to the Specification

Applicants have amended the specification to appropriately refer to each of the two views as now shown on replacement sheet 26/46 (submitted herewith and including Figure 16C and Figure 16C-1). No new matter has been added.

Applicants believe that no further fees are required in connection with this communication under 37 C.F.R. §1.312. If necessary, however, the Examiner is hereby

authorized to charge any other necessary and required fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0496.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul A. Stone", written in a cursive style.

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